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THE SECOND PORTION OF THE NEW ELECTORAL LAW ESTABLISHES
A PROPORTIONAL SYSTEM OF REPRESENTATION: SETS UP STRICT
PARTY LINE VOTING, RULING OUT SPLIT BALLOTING; PROHIBITS
NON-PARTIES FROM RUNNING CANDIDATES; ENSURES EQUAL TREATMENT
OF ALL PARTIES BY THE MEDIA; GIVES EQUAL FREE ADVERTISEMENT
TIME TO ALL BUT PROHIBITS PAID POLITICAL ADS; BANS
PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC OPINION POLLS; RESTRICTS CAMPAIGN
EXPENDITURES; AND BANS FOREIGN FUNDING OF PARTIES.
THIS PORTION OF THE LEGISLATION SETS FORTH IN PRECISE
MANNER THE TIMETABLE AND TIMEFRAME, AS WELL AS
THE VARIOUS STEPS IN THE ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN,
CREATES A NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION (NEC),
AND DETAILS PROCEDURES FOR BECOMING A CANDIDATE.
HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS PORTION OF THE LAW, WHICH AS
DRAFTED SEEMS DESIGNED TO ENSURE STRICT FAIRNESS
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AND EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY TO THOSE PARTIES

PARTICIPATING IN THE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS,
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